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As a means of complying with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 CFR §1.56, Applicants list the following references.

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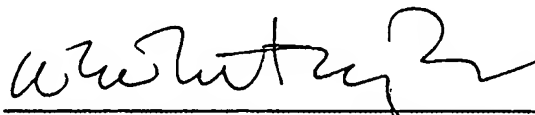
  
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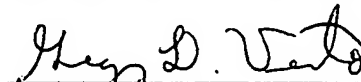
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BT	216/8	5,741,429	4/1998	Donadio III et al.
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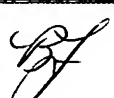
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**Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement by Applicants**

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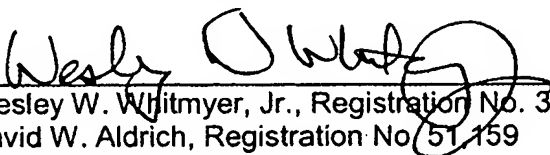
  
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